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The majority of the units stationed at the Lieberose troop training grounds were quartered in the Pinnow-Leeskow-Reicherskreuz area. Other units were located 2 or 3 km west of the Lieberose-Peitz road. The quarters and camps in the Jamnitz area which are known from last year exercises were vacant. An advance detail arrived in the cantonment on the perimeter of Jamnitz village, which formerly housed a Soviet field bakery. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Two new barns, concrete with wooden roofs, are under construction. The fences around the quarters were reconditioned and painted. Source expressed the belief that the camp will soon be occupied. Tanks repeatedly drove through Lieberose toward Pinnow. A tank road marked by signs branched off the road about 1 km behind the Lieberose railroad station. On 27 March, 10 to 12 flatcars with sideracks stood empty at the Lieberose railroad station. Sporadic artillery and tank firing was heard from the Jamnitz-Peitz area. [redacted] individual motor vehicles loaded with fuel, barrels, food ration supply and wood [redacted]

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2. On 24 March, between 4 and 7 p.m., 4 trucks including 3 towing guns covered with tarpaulins and 1 truck with billeting equipment was loaded at the Leipzig-Taucha railroad station and dispatched toward Leipzig.² [redacted] 3 trucks

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3. On 27 March, a train of 34 flatcars with sideracks and 6 boxcars were loaded with about 150 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 1 field kitchen, trucks and guns at the Koenigsbrueck railroad station for shipment to Chemnitz. [redacted] the unit [redacted] identical with the unit that was unloaded in Koenigsbrueck from Chemnitz on 19 March.³

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1. Comment. It cannot be assumed that the two areas east and west of Jamnitz quartered major troop contingents, as the quarters in the two

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posts of the 7th Gds Mecz Div in Frankfurt/Oder and Fuerstenwalde were still occupied to capacity on 3 April and 26 March respectively. It is believed that only individual firing details temporarily stayed in the areas mentioned and that these troops, as at other troop training grounds, do not stay in cantonments but bivouack in tents near the firing ranges. In 1952, the division moved to Lieberose after 6 April. It is expected that the division will move to Lieberose about the same time this year.

2. Comment. The unidentified tank training battalion and the unidentified motor transport battalion of the 8th Gds Mecz Div are carried in the Heiterblick Kaserne in Leipzig-Taucha.

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3. Comment. Presumably, elements of the 6th Gds AAA Div (US) from Chemnitz, which also practiced at Koenigsbrueck in 1952.

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The unloading of the unit on 19 March is reported for the first time.

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